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Commodities	CHINA			INDIA		
	Area in	Yield	Production	Area in	Yield	Production
	Kg/ha	000 MT	000 ha.	Kg/ha	000 MT	
Onion	557(F)	20491	11287	481	11375	5467
Sugarcane	1048	85294	89388*	4150	68012	282250
Jute Cotton	66*	2675	176	1200(F)	1742	2090(F)
Lint	3830	1	440	2074(F)	—	550(F)

F-FA) estimate

SOURCE: FAO PRODUCTION YEAR BOOK 1999 \*unofficial figure

**IT training programme of IASRI**

1379. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN.: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI) of ICAR is conducting a training programme on Information Technology under a Revolving Fund Project;
- (b) if so, the details regarding the number of trainees trained so far, the number of trainees drawn from outside ICAR Institutes/ SAU's and the amounts generated from them during the last two years, category-wise and year-wise; and
- (c) whether the above training programme is within the research/ academic mandate of IASRI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The details are given in the statement. (*See below*)
- (c) Yes, Sir.

**Statement***Details of Training Programmes conducted under Revolving Fund Scheme at IASRI*

Year	From ICAR/SAU's		Outside ICAR/ SAU's	
	Trainees Trained (Number)	Amount Generated (Rs. in Lakh)	Trainees Trained (Number)	Amount Generated (Rs. in Lakhs)
1998-99	90	2.5	5	0.18
2000	183	7.212	5	0.24
2001-till date	155 56	6.6 3.06	7	0.39
TOTAL:	484	19.372	17	0.81

**Development of horticulture in Maharashtra**

1380. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have chalked out any plan for development of horticulture in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) The Government is providing assistance to the State Governments including Maharashtra for the development of horticulture under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture—Supplementation/Complementation of States' Efforts